

memorandum

date June 10, 2010

to Chehalis River Basin Flood Authority

from ESA Adolfson

subject Approval of the Chehalis River Basin Comprehensive Flood Hazard Management Plan

The Chehalis River Basin Draft Comprehensive Flood Hazard Management Plan (Flood Plan) has been finalized and is presented to the Flood Authority for approval. The Flood Plan is available on the Flood Authority's website (www.lewiscountywa.gov/chehalis-river-basin-flood-authority). In the past year, the Draft Flood Plan has been revised to update information and to incorporate comments from Flood Authority and Board Advisory Committee members. The most recent revision incorporates comments received from the public during and after the public meetings held in April 2010.

Although this version of the Flood Plan is considered final, a Flood Plan is a living document. It is anticipated that the Flood Plan will be revised in the future as more information becomes available about flood mitigation projects.

Adoption of the Flood Plan is an important step in the process of establishing a Flood District. Member jurisdictions, especially the three member Counties, need to adopt the Flood Plan before a Flood District can be formed. ESA Adolfson recommends that the Flood Authority approve this Flood Plan for adoption by member jurisdictions. We also recommend sending the attached letter to member jurisdictions encouraging them to adopt the Flood Plan or incorporate it into their existing individual Flood Plans.